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JAPAN.

Reports from Kobe—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Smith reports, December 10 and 15:

Week ended December 5. Supplemental bills of health granted to 5 steamships. There were inspected 160 members of crew and 100 steerage passengers, and there were bathed and disinfected, and had their effects disinfected by steam 135, bedding 114. Manifests were viséed for 70,891 pieces of freight, amounting to 5,060 tons.

Emigrants were examined as follows:

Per steamship *Iyo Maru* for Seattle. Passed 21; recommended for rejection 9. Per steamship *Nippon Maru* for Honolulu; passed 23; recommended for rejection 21. Per steamship *Nippon Maru* for San Francisco; passed 2; recommended for rejection none. The emigrants passed together with 10 intending passengers to Victoria by the steamship *Iyo Maru*, were inspected, bathed, and disinfected, and their effects disinfected before embarkation.

Week ended December 12. Supplemental bills of health granted to 4 steamships and original bill of health to 1 steamship.

There were inspected 70 members of crew and 398 steerage passengers; 56 members of crew and 45 steerage passengers were bathed and disinfected. Their effects were disinfected by steam. The number of pieces of baggage steamed was 235 and of bedding 90. Manifests were viséed for 73,576 pieces of freight, amounting to 3,654 tons.

Emigrants were examined as follows: Steamship *Siberia* for Honolulu, passed 44, recommended for rejection 13; steamship *Siberia* for San Francisco passed 1, recommended for rejection none.

PERSIA.

Report from Teheran—Cholera at Tabriz.

The following is received from Minister Jackson, under date of November 30:

About 10 days ago the American consul at Tabriz reported that cholera had broken out in Tabriz, and subsequently he stated that within the past few weeks there have been about 1,000 cases and 500 deaths. The matter was brought to the attention of various members of the sanitary council, the result being that the presence, but not the extent, of cholera as reported has been confirmed.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Status of cholera in Manila and the provinces—Improved conditions in cholera epidemic—Inspection of vessels.

Chief Quarantine Officer McClintic reports, November 24 and December 1:

Week ended November 21. Thirteen cases of cholera, with 8 deaths, were reported for the city of Manila.

The cholera situation in the city of Manila and in the provinces generally shows a gradual improvement. The few sporadic cases which

occurred in the city of Manila during the week were of a mild type and have shown no tendency to spread. A new house-to-house inspection has been ordered and will be continued until the city has been positively free from the disease for a considerable period.

PROVINCIAL CHOLERA.

Report of cases and deaths from cholera which occurred in the provinces during the period covered by this report:

Provinces.	Cases.	Deaths	Provinces.	Cases.	Deaths.
Rizal.....	12	12	Occidental Negros.....	32	19
Samar.....	44	27	Antique.....	16	11
Bulacan.....	19	18	Laguna.....	5	4
Leyte.....	3	3	Ilocos Norte.....	15	13
Ilocos Sur.....	23	12	Surigao.....	1
Pampanga.....	1	1	Cagayan.....	5	6
Capiz.....	86	48			
Cavite.....	17	11	Total.....	331	211
Iloilo.....	52	26			

During the week consular bills of health were issued at the port of Manila as follows:

November 15, the United States Army transport *Thomas*, with 188 in the crew and with 536 passengers, was granted a bill of health for San Francisco via Nagasaki and Honolulu. The crew and steerage passengers were bathed and their effects and baggage disinfected at the Mariveles quarantine station. The cargo and baggage were either disinfected or passed after inspection. All persons on board were inspected at the hour of sailing.

November 21, the British steamship *Indrawadi*, with 62 in the crew, en route from New York to Olongapo, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

November 21, the British steamship *St. Patrick*, with 47 in the crew, en route from Yokohama to New York, was granted a bill of health after the usual inspection of cargo and personnel.

Week ended November 28. Eleven new cases of cholera, with 10 deaths, were reported for the city of Manila.

PROVINCIAL CHOLERA.

Week ended November 28.

Province.	Cases.	Deaths.	Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Rizal.....	2	1	Iloilo.....	21	12
Samar.....	31	25	Antique.....	22	8
Bulacan.....	6	8	Laguna.....	5	1
Leyte.....	6	3	Ilocos Norte.....	11	6
Ilocos Sur.....	11	7	Cagayan.....	11	8
Capiz.....	56	50			
Palawan.....	1	1	Total.....	187	134
Cavite.....	4	4			

During the week consular bills of health were issued at the port of Manila as follows:

November 23, the British steamship *Benavon*, with 43 in the crew, en route from Yokohama to Cebu, was granted a supplemental bill of

health. November 26, the British steamship *Titan*, with 90 in the crew, en route from London to Seattle and Tacoma, was granted a supplemental bill of health after the usual inspection of cargo and personnel. November 27, the United States steamship *Yankton*, with 104 in the crew, was granted a bill of health for Hampton Roads. November 27, the United States army transport *Dix*, with 147 in the crew and with 6 passengers, was granted a bill of health for Seattle via Nagasaki. The personnel and cargo were inspected and certified at the hour of sailing. November 27, the United States steamship *Culgoa*, with 121 in the crew, was granted a bill of health for Hampton Roads. November 27, the British steamship *Kaifong*, with 63 in the crew and with 46 passengers, en route from Amoy to Cebu and Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health. The crew and steerage passengers were bathed and their effects disinfected at Mariveles. November 27, the British steamship *Changsha*, with 73 in the crew and with 135 passengers, en route from Hongkong to Zamboanga, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

RUSSIA.

Report from Libau—Status of cholera at St. Petersburg—Proposed cholera measures—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forrest reports, December 25:
Cholera is reported at St. Petersburg as follows:

Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.
December 15	17	4	December 20 (no report)
December 17	9	5	December 21	14	1
December 18	19	2	December 22	6	4
December 19	9	8	December 23	15	4

The sanitary commission at St. Petersburg proposes to institute an anti-cholera campaign and to construct barracks for cholera patients. Disinfectants have been pumped into the infected water mains in such quantities that the water has become fetid.

Three hundred and eight emigrants for the United States by the steamship *Estonia* sailing December 29 have been personally examined by me.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND
CITIES—UNTABULATED.

AFRICA—*Sierra Leone—Freetown*.—Month of November, 1908. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 78. No deaths from contagious diseases reported.

ARGENTINA—*Rosario de Santa Fe*.—Month of October, 1908. Estimated population, 154,663. Total number of deaths, 324, including diphtheria 3, measles 2, and 37 from tuberculosis.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY—*Brünn*.—Month of October, 1908. Estimated population, 108,944. Total number of deaths, 224, including tuberculosis 44, and 1 from diphtheria.